

## From the Top Shelf

A message from Stephen Fulchino, Library Director

### A Full Plate

A very full summer began with the celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the present Lawler Branch Library and the year will culminate with the observation of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Main Library Building. In between these bookend events was the successful joint project of the Audubon exhibit at the New Bedford Art Museum; the display of hand-made Portuguese tiles (Azulejos) from the Azores at the Casa da Saudade Branch Library; the well-attended summer reading program, *Go Green at your Library*, and the continued activities at the Teen Room at the Lawler Branch.

This fall looks no different. Another partnership with Massachusetts Humanities will allow for the return of the Family Adventures in Reading Program (FAIR) for three sessions this fiscal year. The first one will kick-off at the Howland-Green Branch Library this fall. Teen Read Week, with a theme of *Books with a Beat @ your library*, will be observed in October. Events will be held at the Lawler Branch Library Teen Room, with all city teens invited to participate.

### Creative Destruction

In 1906, City Hall (the present library building) caught on fire, a fire which destroyed the interior.

The City Fathers at that time decided to use this problem to make the City better. The granite City Hall would be expanded and become the Library, while the brick Library across the street would be expanded and become City Hall.

In December 1910, the new Library opened to great acclaim. While still in the planning stages, the Trustees, the Friends of the Library, and the staff have begun to think about how to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in December 2010. Look for details in the next newsletter.

Trustees of the New Bedford Free Public Library: Mayor Scott Lang, Carl Cruz, Rev. Constantine S. Bebis, Mary-Ellen Bergeron, Lee Blake, Dr. John Fletcher, Elsie R. Fraga, James L. Henry, Helen Rogers, Dr. Joseph Silva, Jr.

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## Optimize Your Job Search

We all know that times are tough, and finding a job is even tougher. Between job-searching, creating and sending out resumes and cover letters, and filling out job applications, the job search process can be overwhelming.

That's why the New Bedford Free Public Library is very pleased to partner with Optimalresume.com to help make this process easier. Optimalresume.com is a Web site that helps you:

- Search for jobs
- Create a new resume from scratch, or update an old resume
- Share your resume with potential employers
- Explore new career paths
- Improve your job interview skills
- Create a Web site for employers to view your portfolio of special projects

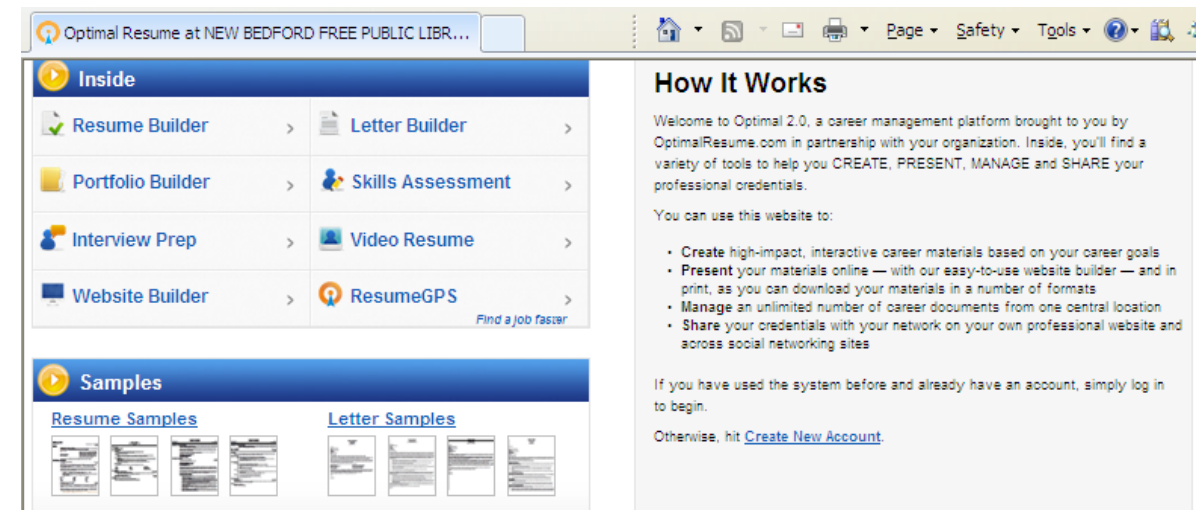
And much more!

How does it work?

1. Go to [newbedford.optimalresume.com](http://newbedford.optimalresume.com)
2. The first time you use the site, you will need to create an account. Log in with your New Bedford library card. The site will prompt you to create an account login, which you will use whenever you log in.
3. Once you create an account, decide what you want to do: work on your resume or cover letter, search for jobs, explore a new career or practice your interview skills.

Because this program is on the Web, you can access your job-searching information from anywhere – the library, home, school or a local café!

The site is filled with videos, webinars, sample documents and guidance to help you on your way to a new job, or just a different job. You can also ask your librarian for assistance.



# Kidz Korner

## New Releases for Young People

- Caine, Rachel – *Ghost Town* (10/10)
- Cast, P.C. – *Fledgling Handbook 101* (10/10)
- De la Cruz, Melissa – *Misguided Angel* (10/10)
- Kinney, Jeff – *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Ugly Truth* (11/10)
- Noel, Alyson – *Night Star* (11/10)
- Pike, Christopher – *The Eternal Dawn* (10/10)
- Pratchett, Terry – *I Shall Wear Midnight* (9/10)
- Reichs, Kathy – *Virals*

## SRP Recap

The New Bedford Free Public Library recently completed a very successful Summer Reading Program. This year's state-wide theme was "Go Green at your Library" relating to reducing garbage, recycling, energy saving devices, and other green related topics. New Bedford was able to partner with Veolia Water, North America's leading provider of comprehensive water and wastewater partnership services to municipal entities, businesses and manufacturers. A grant from this company allowed the library to bring to the youth of the city live performances by puppeteers, storytellers, and singers telling stories and singing songs on green themes. The program also benefited from funds provided by the Friends of the New Bedford Free Public Library, with a grant by the United Way of Greater New Bedford – Community Building Mini-Grant Program. Additional incentives and prizes were donated by Texas Roadhouse, the V.F. Factory Outlet and McDonalds.

Children across the city read books and were encouraged to read those related on the topic of going green. At all locations summer reading sessions were held weekly and children listened to books relating to the theme, as well as those that were just fun. In addition they made crafts relating to the theme and many of the components of the crafts were recycled materials. Clean used water bottles, empty toilet paper rolls, empty paper towels rolls, and puzzles pieces were turned into banks, sheep, windmills, and animals. More than 200 children participated in the program and read more than 1600 hours during the six-week program. Library Director Stephen Fulchino stated "Helping children is the most important service area in a public library. And helping them keep and even improve their reading skills during the summer is a vital part of that mission."

The main sponsor, Veolia Water, is the proven leader and world-class solutions provider for the treatment of our most precious resource - water. They oversee the wastewater treatment plant for the city of New Bedford. Veolia Water provided tours of the water treatment plant to nearly 40 children and adults as part of the final celebratory event. The final event, held at Fort Taber Community Center, featured Matt Gabriel of Animal World Experience, who brought live animals including a tree frog and snapping turtle, and explained their habitats. Awards were given to readers and refreshments included cupcakes made to look like sunflowers. It was attended by nearly 90 people along with representatives from Veolia Water, John Caron and John Oatley, and the Mayor of the City, Scott Lang.

## Animal Experiences



At the Summer Reading Program's final event, Lucas Pollard holds a Madagascar hissing cockroach while his brother Noah looks on.

## New Gift to the Special Collections

The library archives has received a gift of papers from the Honorable William Carey. Fall River native Carey served as judge in the Massachusetts Superior Court from 1981 to 1995. The majority of the collection consists of editorials and speeches written by Carey, as well as articles written by others about cases in which Carey presided as judge. Original clippings, photocopies, typed copies (sometimes annotated) are included. Other parts of the collection relate to Carey's career as a lawyer, particularly his role as counsel in the Paul Pappas First Amendment case, which was argued before the US Supreme Court.

Collectively, these materials give an overview of Carey's professional stances on Constitutional law as related to specific court cases and on state and national issues about which he felt strongly: Constitutional law and executive power under the presidential administration of George W. Bush; the issue of same-sex marriage in Massachusetts; and the creation of a public law school in Massachusetts (for which Carey was a supporter). Another main subject of Carey's editorials that relates to both his professional life as a lawyer and his personal beliefs as a Catholic is that of the child-abuse scandal within the Catholic Church in the 1990s and its repercussions.

The collection is available for access through the Genealogy Department during Genealogy Room hours.

# The Hot List (Upcoming Books)

These popular authors are publishing new books in the next few months. They might not be in bookstores or libraries yet, but if they are in our catalog, you can still put them on hold and be near the top of the list!



## September

- Brown, Rita Mae – *A Nose for Justice*
  - Castle, Richard – *Naked Heat*
  - Cornwell, Bernard – *Fort*
  - Evanovich, Janet – *Wicked Appetite*
  - Follett, Ken – *Fall of Giants*
  - Gay, William – *The Lost Country*
  - Gruen, Sara – *Ape House*
  - Kinsella, Sophie – *Mini Shopaholic*
- Macomber, Debbie – *Call Me Mrs. Miracle*
  - Patterson, James – *Don't Blink*
  - Sandford, John – *Bad Blood*
  - Saramago, Jose – *Elephant's Journey*
  - Sparks, Nicholas – *Safe Haven*
  - Steel, Danielle – *Legacy*
  - Weber, David – *Out of the Dark*
  - Woods, Stuart – *Santa Fe Edge*

## October

- Andrews, V.C. – *Daughter of Darkness*
  - Bradford, Barbara Taylor – *Playing the Game*
  - Butcher, Jim – *Side Jobs*
  - Child, Lee – *Worth Dying For*
  - Connelly, Michael – *The Reversal*
  - Flynn, Vince – *American Assassin*
- Grisham, John – *The Confession*
  - Karon, Jan – *In the Company of Others*
  - Kingsbury, Karen – *Unlocked*
  - Lackey, Mercedes – *Intrigues*
  - LeCarre, John – *Our Kind of Traitor*
  - Parker, Robert – *Painted Ladies*
  - Roberts, Nora – *Happy Ever After*

## November

- Baldacci, David – *Hell's Corner*
  - Cornwell, Patricia – *Port Mortuary*
  - Cussler, Clive – *Crescent Dawn*
  - Deaver, Jeffrey – *Edge*
  - Flagg, Fannie – *I Still Dream about You Honey*
  - Jordan, Robert – *Towers of Midnight*
  - King, Stephen – *Full Dark, No Stars*
- LeHane, Dennis – *Moonlight Mile*
  - Morton, Kate – *The Distant Hours*
  - Palin, Sarah – *America by Heart* (nonfic)
  - Patterson, James – *Cross Fire*
  - Robb, J.D. – *Indulgence in Death*
  - Robb, J.D. – *The Other Side* (anthology)
  - Tapply, William – *Outwitting Trolls*

**Museum Passes:** Don't forget to take advantage of the free and discounted museum passes offered by the New Bedford libraries! All libraries have free passes to the Buttonwood Zoo. The Main Library also has discounted passes to:

- New Bedford Whaling Museum
- Boston Children's Museum
- Museum of Fine Arts
- Museum of Science
- New England Aquarium
- Plimoth Plantation
- Ocean Explorium

Call any library or you can reserve your passes through our Web site!

# It's Show Time!

All the New Bedford libraries have movie licenses and will be bringing you a mix of old and new films for adults and children every month

## September

- Lawler

September 7 @2pm – *Anger Management*  
September 7 @4pm – Teen movie: *Transformers*  
September 11 @1pm – *Charlotte's Web*  
September 21 @2pm – *To Kill a Mockingbird*  
September 28 @4pm – Teen movie: *Alice in Wonderland*
- Wilks

September 25 @11am – *Clash of the Titans* (1981)  
September 27 @4pm – *Clash of the Titans* (2010)
- Howland-Green  
Casa da Saudade  
Main

September 18 @2pm – *Kung Fu Panda* (in Spanish with English subtitles)  
September 18 @1pm – *Beverly Hills Chihuahua*  
September 15 @6pm – *Free Willy: Escape from Pirate's Cove*

## October

- Lawler

October 5 @2pm – *Rebel without a Cause*  
October 12 @4pm – Teen movie: *The Last Song*  
October 19 @2pm – *Arsenic and Old Lace*  
October 26 @4pm – Teen movie: *Nick and Nora's Infinite Playlist*
- Wilks

October 16 @11am – *Camp Rock 2*  
October 18 @4pm – *Citizen Kane*
- Howland-Green

October 2 @2pm – *Bella* (in English with Spanish subtitles)  
October 16 @2pm – *Indiana Jones y La Ultima Cruzada* (in Spanish with English subtitles)
- Casa da Saudade  
Main

October 9 @1pm – *Alice in Wonderland* (2010)  
October 13 @6pm – *Coraline*

## Halloween Events

### Movies

- Casa da Saudade  
Wilks  
Main  
Howland-Green  
Lawler

October 25 @3pm – *Scooby-Doo and the Goblin King*  
October 27 @4pm – *Monster House*  
October 27 @6pm – *Hocus Pocus*  
October 30 @2pm – *Goosebumps* double feature  
October 30 @3:30pm – *The Witches*

### Programs

- Wilks  
Casa da Saudade  
Lawler  
Howland-Green  
Main

October 24 @4pm  
October 26 @6pm  
October 28 @6pm  
October 28 @3:30pm  
October 30 @11am





# What’s Going On?

**Ongoing**  
**Story hour** – Fall story hour runs from September 27 – December 4

- Wilks – Wednesdays @10:30am
- Howland-Green – Thursdays @3:30pm
- Casa – Portuguese story hour – Tuesdays – Oct. 12, Nov. 16, Dec. 7
- Main Library – Saturdays @11am
- Lawler – Saturdays @1pm

**Matinee Magic** – Free movies at every library. See page 6 for movies and times.

**Exhibits**

“**The Mirror of a Culture: Portuguese Handmade Tiles by Maria Lenor Bicudo**”  
June 8 – November 7; Casa da Saudade Library  
Hand-made tiles painted in the style of antique Portuguese tiles found on many famous buildings in Portugal.

“**Essence of New Bedford: Photographs by Members of the Whaling City Camera Club**”  
June 10 – September 25; Main Library, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor  
Highlights the city’s rich history and culture as seen through the lenses of the Whaling City Camera Club.

“**The People’s Library**”  
October 24 – January 8, 2011; Main Library, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor  
Showcases memorabilia from the Main Library’s 100-year history.

<b>September</b>	
2, 10, 13, 23, 28, 9	<b>Scrabble Scramble</b> – Come play Scrabble! ➤ Lawler Library; 1 – 3pm
	<b>Teen Wii Afternoon</b> ➤ Lawler Library; 4pm
	<b>Writers’ Group</b> – Come discuss your work and get tips and feedback. All writers welcome. ➤ Wilks Library; 6 – 7:30pm
14	<b>Lawler Library Book Club</b> – The book is <i>My Name is Mary Sutter</i> by Robin Oliveira. ➤ Lawler Library; 2 – 4pm
	<b>Teens Teaching Wii</b> – To adults! ➤ Lawler Library; 3pm
21	<b>Wilks Library Book Club</b> – The book is <i>The Story of Edgar Sawtelle</i> by David Wroblewski. ➤ Wilks Library; 6 – 7:30pm
23	<b>Teen Friendship Bracelet Workshop</b> –Make your own jewelry out of hemp or colored string. ➤ Lawler Library; 4:30 – 6pm
25	<b>Fancy Nancy Tea Party</b> – For young ladies and their moms. Please R.S.V.P. ➤ Lawler Library; 2pm
30	<b>Teen Wii Afternoon</b> ➤ Lawler Library; 4pm
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7, 15, 26	<b>Scrabble Scramble</b> – Come play Scrabble! ➤ Lawler Library; 1 – 3pm
12	<b>Lawler Library Book Club</b> – The book is <i>The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo</i> by Steig Larsson. ➤ Lawler Library; 2 – 4pm
19	<b>Wilks Library Book Club</b> – The book is <i>The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie</i> by Alan Bradley. ➤ Wilks Library; 6 – 7:30pm

# Hours & Locations

**Main Library**  
613 Pleasant St.  
508-991-6275  
TTY: 508-991-6258

Monday:	9am – 9pm
Tuesday:	9am – 9pm
Wednesday:	1pm – 9pm
Thursday:	9am – 9pm
Friday:	9am – 12:30pm
Saturday:	9am – 5pm

**Genealogy Department**  
3<sup>rd</sup> floor of Main Library  
508-991-6276

Monday:	9am – 9pm
Tuesday:	9am – 9pm
Wednesday:	1pm – 9pm
Thursday:	9am – 5pm
Friday:	9am – 12:30pm
Saturday:	9am – 1pm; 2pm – 5pm

**Art Room**  
3<sup>rd</sup> floor of Main Library  
508-979-1787

Monday:	closed
Tuesday:	1pm – 5pm
Wednesday:	1pm – 5pm
Thursday:	1pm – 5pm; 6pm – 9pm
Friday:	9am – 12:30pm
Saturday:	9am – 1pm; 2pm – 5pm

<b>Casa da Saudade</b>	Mon:	10am – 6pm
58 Crapo St.	Tue:	12pm – 8pm
508-991-6218	Wed:	10am – 6pm
<b>Wilks</b>	Thu:	12pm – 8pm
1911 Acushnet Ave.	Fri:	closed
508-991-6214	Sat:	9am – 5pm

<b>Lawler</b>	Mon:	10am – 6pm
745 Rockdale Ave.	Tue:	12pm – 8pm
508-991-6216	Wed:	closed
<b>Howland-Green</b>	Thu:	12pm – 8pm
3 Rodney French Blvd.	Fri:	10am – 6pm
508-991-6212	Sat:	9am – 5pm

**Bookmobile**  
The Bookmobile visits schools, neighborhoods and adult centers throughout New Bedford. For the Bookmobile schedule, please call 508-991-6214.

# Fun Fact

The Grand Vizier of Persia, Saheb Ibn Aba (938 – 995) loved books so much that he always traveled with his library – all 117,000 books! “His mobile library was carried on 400 camels, which were trained to walk in alphabetical order so any book could be located immediately.” (*Ripley’s Believe It or Not!* Mason Crest Publishers, Inc., Broomall: 2004, p. 15)

Think that sounds strange? We have a motorized bookmobile in New Bedford, but there are still places where alternative methods of transportation are used.

Check out this camel bookmobile from Kenya, which inspired author Marsha Hamilton to write her novel *The Camel Bookmobile*.



Rural villages in Colombia are visited by a Biblioburro, with books carried by two burros. Burros are also used to deliver books in Zimbabwe.

Jeanette Winter’s new children’s book, *Biblioburro: A True Story from Colombia*, tells the story of how Columbia’s biblioburro began. Check that book out from your local library.

Cut here for an Hours & Locations bookmark